

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Steve E. Miller,)	C/A No. 3:09-891-JFA-JRM
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Plaintiff,)	
vs.)	
)	ORDER
Virginia Roland,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
_____)	

The *pro se* plaintiff, Steve E. Miller, brings this action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 1983. He is involuntarily committed to the Sexually Violent Predator Treatment Program (SVPTP) at the South Carolina Department of Mental Health.

The Magistrate Judge assigned to this action¹ has prepared a Report and Recommendation wherein he suggests that this action should be dismissed for lack of prosecution pursuant to Rule 41(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. In addition, the Magistrate Judge has considered the Fourth Circuit's four-prong test² in determining his recommendation that the action should be dismissed. The Report sets forth in detail the relevant facts and standards of law on this matter, and the court incorporates such without

¹ The Magistrate Judge's review is made in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B) and Local Civil Rule 73.02. The Magistrate Judge makes only a recommendation to this court. The recommendation has no presumptive weight, and the responsibility to make a final determination remains with the court. *Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261 (1976). The court is charged with making a *de novo* determination of those portions of the Report to which specific objection is made and the court may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the recommendation of the Magistrate Judge, or recommit the matter to the Magistrate Judge with instructions. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1).

² See *Chandler Leasing Corp. v. Lopez*, 669 F.2d 919, 920 (4th Cir. 1982).

a recitation.

The defendant filed a motion for summary judgment. An order was then issued pursuant to *Roseboro v. Garrison*, 528 F.2d 309 (4th Cir. 1975) notifying plaintiff of the summary dismissal procedure and possible consequences if he failed to adequately respond to the motion for summary judgment. Plaintiff did not respond to the motion.


The Magistrate Judge notes that on March 5, 2010, an order was entered providing the plaintiff with an opportunity to advise the court whether he wished to continue to prosecute this case. The plaintiff failed to respond to that order.

The plaintiff was further advised of his right to file objections to the Report and Recommendation, which was entered on the docket on March 29, 2010. However, the plaintiff did not file any objections to the Report within the time limits prescribed.

After a careful review of the record, the applicable law, and the Report and Recommendation, the court finds the Magistrate Judge's recommendation proper and incorporated herein by reference. Accordingly, this action is dismissed with prejudice for failure to prosecute under Rule 41(b) and all outstanding motions are deemed moot.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

April 22, 2010
Columbia, South Carolina

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Joseph F. Anderson, Jr." in a cursive script.

Joseph F. Anderson, Jr.
United States District Judge